E. D. AKE, EDITOR.

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C. E. Griffith, the Great Shakespe-rean Interpreter, wil be heard at the Arcadia College.

On the evenings of Friday and Saturday, December 17th and 18th, this gifted reader of European and American celebrity, will give sev-eral of his incomparable readings in the Auditorium of the Arcadia

College.

Besides a splendid rendition of "The Merchant of Venice," there will be two readings of The Divine

Comedy.

The friends and patrons of the College are cordially invited to attend. The readings will begin at 7:30 o'clock P M. Admission, 50

The Telegraph-Herald, of Dubuque, Iowa, has this to say of Griffith: Dubuque lovers of the beautiful bave been enjoying the delights afforded to hem by the gifted actor, C. E. W. Griffith, who has returned to the city, and who is appear-ing at a number of the leading institutions

during his stay.

To hear Mr. Griffith is to wonder at his power; to meet him is to understand its possibility. He lives absolutely in the atmosphere helpful to others, and his entire lite has been devoted to perfecting his own life in order that he might give it to others, the spirit of helpfulness through the appreciation of the heavilled in literature with all of its wonderful lessons of value to the hu-

Mr. Griffith is an artist of the first rank and to hear him is to experience an uplift helpful in the extreme.

To the Teachers' of Iron County.

The St. Louis Meeting of the Missouri State Teachers' Association, December 28, 29 and 30, 1909, promises to be one of the largest and best ever held in the state. Each of you should begin planning now to attend this gathering. It will pay you not only because the programme will be interesting, practical and inspiring, but because you will have opportunity to meet and mingle in a social way with nearly all the leading school men and women in Missouri. Request your County Superin-tendent, B. P. Burnham, to give

you a membership blank and enroll you as a member of the M. S.

Hoping your community will have many members at St. Louis,

e are, Yours for a rousing meeting, Pres., Cape B. G. SHACKLEFORD, Pres., Cape Girardeau, E. M. CARTER, Sec'y, Jefferson City.

Lost-Four goats. Finder will CHAS. PEACE. be rewarded.

From Goodland.

The weather for the past week crazy as was told he was. He was has been cold, rainy, snowy, sleety and altogether disagreeable, especially for out door work.

W. B. Brooks has taken possession of his farm on Middlefork.

John Mayfield is on the sick list,

with a lame back. G. G. Adams made a trip to Lesterville last Wednesday after a

N. W. Adams is the victim of week.

visiting relatives at Goodland. lately in a scrap.

Dr. Adams visited his nephew, Amby Gibson, at Tolu, one day last week. Mr. Gibson has typhoid

We are sorry to hear of the death of George Williamson of

Mrs. Sarah Eaton died December 8th, 1909, aged 66 years, 7 months and 22 days, after a painful illness lasting three months. Few mortals are ever called upon to suffer such agonizing pain as she endured during her long illness. She ex-pressed herself ready and willing to depart. Of her eight children only three daughters followed her to the grave: Misses Ella and Flora and Mrs. Myra Adams. One daughter, Mrs. Riley, living in Clinton; I. N., in Crawford county; B. Z., in New Mexico; M. S. in Los Angeles: and A. F. in S., in Los Angeles; and A. F., in St. Louis. Funeral services were held at the Baptist church at Good-

land by Rev. Chester. Her sufferings ended with the day Yet lived she at its close,

And breathed the long, long night away In statue like repose.

And when the morning's golden beams Illumed the eastern sky, She passed through Glory's morning gate

She passed through And entered Paradise. TIMOTHY HAY. Huge Assortment of Candies for the Christmas trade—just received. Special prices made to churches and schools in quantity purchasers. . LOPEZ STORE Co.

Lesterville Items.

Ernest Johnson, who has been assisting his brother-in-law, W. I. Bays, at the post-office for some time, has the measles, and the time, has the measles, and the whole town seems as excited over it, as though it were a case of

Frank Parker, who has been im-

Frank Parker, who has been improving, had a severe relapse on Saturday, but we understand he is better again. Frank is surely having a hard time and his many friends sympathize with him.

Mr. T. Saltz, lately of Munger, has moved with his family to Long Branch, and will be connected with the new mill of the White & Hummel Mfg. Company at that point.

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A quiet wedding occurred Saturday night at 8 P. M., when Jennie White, eldest daughter of C. A. White, was married to O. R. Baker, of this place, Rev. J. January officiating. This is the second wedding in the White family in about two months, and the third one in town in the same length of time. Cupid is certainly doing

Tron County Register his duty here. The wedding was attended by only intimate friends of the bride and groom.

Henry White was down from Long Branch Saturday night to attend the wedding of his sister

Charles White, Jr., is in Ironton, where he has gone to bring back a pair of fine young mules, recently purchased by the White & Hommel Mfg: Company. HUBITE.

In Memory of Mr. Ed. Benson

Annapolis has lost one of her best citizens in the passing of Ed. P. Benson, whose death was recorded in the Annapolis items last week. He was a good citizen in that whatever was for the publie welfare, directly concerned him. His interest in the public school and children generally was one of his best characteristics. He rendered conscientious service as a school director many years, and none visited the school more regularly or co-operated with the teachers more heartily than he. His generosity was not of the kind that flaunts its name in big letters at the head of a subscription paper. He followed the scriptural injunction, "Let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth." I remember when a widow who was supporting her three children returned home one day to find a load of wood in her yard. She afterwards learned that the donor was this friend and neighbor, who ciation of the beautiful in literature with all has just left us. And we do not forget the barrels of apples carried to the Christmas trees and distributed that everyone might have some Christmas cheer. These are homely virtues, but we meet them all too seldom. His hospitality and that of his wife, who is left to mourn his loss, was unbounded as all can testify that ever entered their doors. Their many friends sincerely sympathize with the family in their affliction.

A FRIEND.

Belleview Items.

December 10th, and not one pretty day yet. If the first ten days rule this winter we certainly

will have it good and plenty. Farmers have been killing hogs and the weather is fine for the

Mrs. Mary Imboden, once a resident of this community now of Bakersfield, California, is visiting her sister, Mrs. D. H. Palmer and daughter, Mrs. Wm. Thomp-

We were made sad, indeed, to hear of the death of our friend. Harvey Palmer. Our hearts go out in sympathy to the loved ones. It was rumored over the phone a few Sundays since that there was a crazy man passing around scaring some people almost out of their wits. The rumor proved to be false. The man was not half as

just going to see his sweetheart. Mrs. Len Morris and Miss Gertie Fitzpatrick visited in Belleview Saturday and Sunday. They were the guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fitz-

Mr. E. Edmonds and wife, of Leadwood, visited their parents, Mr. H. Edmonds and wife, last

Mrs. Louis, who left here a short Rev. Chester of Flat River is the time ago for Texarkana, Ark. John Stricklin of Flat River is ful summer weather down there. The flowers are all in bloom. The Fred Akers was very badly hurt falling of the leaves is the only appearance of fall they have. Oh, for the sunny south!

Eggs are selling at thirty cents per dozen, butter twenty-five per pound and turkeys fourteen cents on foot, and all are scarce; what are we to do when Christmas SUBSCRIBER. comes?

ST. LOUIS, IRON MOUNTAIN AND SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

SPECIAL STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting of the stockholders of the St. Louis, from Mountain and Southern Railway Company will be held at the principal office of said Company, in Room 706, Missouri, or said Company, in Room 706, Missouri, fraide Building, in the City of St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, on the 2d diry of February, 1910, at nine o'clock in the forecome of that day, to consider and act upon the following propositions:

(a) To purchase and acquire all or any part of the railroads and other property, assets and franchises of all or any of the following named railroad companies: Arkansus Midland Railway Company, Arkansus Midland Railway Company, Arkansus Midland Railway Company, The Britakley, Relena and Indian Bay Railroad Company, Carland Western Railway Company, Garland Western Railway Company, Garland Western Railway Company, Herrin and Johnston City Railway Canpany, Kansas and Arkansus Valley Railyay, Little Rock and Hot Springs Western Railway Company, Herrin Allway, Mississippi River, Hamburg and Western Railway Company, New Orleans & Northwestern Railway Company, New Orleans & Northwestern Railway Company, St. Louis, Watkins and Guif Railway Company, St. Louis, Watkins and Guif Railway Company, St. Louis, Watkins and Guif Railway Company, By the nameant of \$60,000,000.

empany. St. Louis. Watkins and Guif Railing Company, and Wabash Southern Railing Company.

(b) To increase the capital stock of this outpany by the amount of \$60,000,000, ich increase of the capital stock to consist \$600,000 since to concer in, approve and authorize an increase of the borded includences of \$1. Louis. Iron Mountain and outhern Railway Company, by the amount \$255,000,000, by the issue of Gold Bonds the Company, limited in the aggregate to be principal amount of \$25,000,000 at any set time outstanding, and to be secured by mortgage and deed of trust on and of the rhole or part of the railronds and other roperty and franchies of the Company, thether now owned or hereafter acquired, and to consent to, centur in and authorize he execution and delivery of such mortgage and deed at trust, and to consider and act con the form and terms of such bonds and the sale of all or any of sald Gold Bonds to the Missouri Partie Railway Company.

(d) To ratify the proceedings of the control of Directors therefore taken in and four the matters aforesald, including the interisation of said bonds and mortgage in, deed of trust, and the use to be made in all bonds, and to consider and act upon which sales in the meeting.

The stock transfer hooks of the Company will be closed at 3 P. M. on Pitlar, the rance of Jacoury, 1910, and will remain load need to A. M. on Thursday, the 3d any of February, 1910.

Dated New York, November 17, 1909.

By order of the Kaard of Directors.

GEORGE J. GOULD,

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